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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated May 16, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks. The period of response is extended two (2) months from August 16, 2006 to October 16, 2006 by the enclosed two (2) month Petition for Extension of Time.

- I. Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response;
- II. Remarks begin on page 3 of this response; and
- III. Conclusion begins on page 10 of this response.